Second Member.

This is not an interpellation but a representation.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah.

We want to make this representation.

Dewan.

That is not a supplementary question, I cannot therefore allow it.

MESSRS. K. RAMAKRISHNA IYER AND BYRE GOWDA, KOLAR TALUK, K. S. SHAMA RAO, MULBAGAL TALUK AND VENKATASAMI GOWDA, MALUR TALUK.—

Q.—8. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

Regarding the distress in the Kolar District during the year 1923-24, from November 1923 to the end of March 1924.

(*a*) What is the total number of applications received from the people for the grant of takavi and subsistence loans? How many were sanctioned, how many rejected and how many still pending disposal out of them?

(*b*) How many Village Improvement Works have been sanctioned? What is their estimated cost? How many works have been completed? How many are under execution? How many have not been begun? What is the amount to be paid for the works completed and pending payment?

(*c*) How many petitions have been received for sinking temporary wells? How many wells have been sanctioned? How many were completed? How many well works are going on? How many applications have been pending disposal? What is the allotment sanctioned by Government? What is the amount spent already? Is any more grant necessary?

(*d*) What is the amount sanctioned by Government for the restoration of and repairs to tanks? What is the amount already spent? In respect of how many works has there been correspondence between the Revenue Department and Public Works Department officers? Which of the tanks have been since restored? How many tank works are in progress? In how many cases have projects been prepared? What is their estimated cost? How many more projects are still under preparation.

(*e*) What is the allotment sanctioned by Government for the annual maintenance of tanks? How much has been spent till now? How many works have been completed? What is the cost of them? How many works have been still in progress. In how many cases have the estimates been prepared? How many more estimates are still pending preparation?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—

A.—(*a*) Number of applications received .. 3,598
Do sanctioned 2,602
Do rejected 414
Do pending 582

(*b*) Number of Village Improvement Works sanctioned 80

	Rs.	a.	p.
Estimated cost ..	9,177	10	4.
Number of works completed	17		
Do under execution ..	63		
Do not begun ..	Nil		

	Rs.	a.	p.
Amount paid in respect of completed works ..	5,177	12	1

(*c*) Number of petitions .. very few, but wells were freely sanctioned wherever difficulty for water was anticipated.

Number of wells sanctioned .. 615
Do wells completed .. 201
Do works in progress .. 414
Do applications pending disposal .. Nil

	Rs.	a.	p.
Allotment sanctioned by Government ..	20,000	0	0
Amount spent already ..	9,261	6	9

If the rains hold off, a further allotment may become necessary.

(*d*) Amount sanctioned for restoration of tanks 10,000 0 0
Amount already spent .. 3,524 0 0
As the season did not admit of starting such works, only four works were started in consultation with the Public Works Department.

(*e*) Government have sanctioned Rs. 10,000 for the purpose for this district and have also granted a further sum of Rs. 10,000 to meet the excess over one year's assessment.
Amount spent so far is Rs. 18,156 0 0.
Seventy-six works at an estimated cost of Rs. 72,347 were started
As regards number completed and their estimate, etc., information will be furnished on receipt.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. K. Ramakrishna Iyer.

Talukwar figures are not given in the reply

Revenue Secretary.

Talukwar figures were not asked for in the interpellation.

Mr. K. Ramakrishna Iyer.

No reply is given to my question sub-division (*d*).

Dewan.

We will enquire and furnish the information.

Mr K. Ramakrishna Iyer.

Out of Rs. 10,000 sanctioned for the restoration of tanks, Rs. 3,524 is shown as already spent. I want to know whether the amount spent was in connection with distress or with the usual annual restoration works ?

Dewan.

The question is now about distress. The presumption is that it relates to distress only.

MR. CHIKKACHANNANANJAPPA CHETTY, KOLAR TOWN.—

Q.—9. Will the Government be pleased to furnish information on the following points:—

(1) What is the estimated cost of laying out the light railway line from Bowringpet to Chikballapur? What is the amount sanctioned? What is the amount actually spent out of it? What is the Government share and what is the share of the District Board out of this amount?

(2) When was the Light Railway train first run to Chikballapur? What is the total capital outlay from that date up to the end of June 1923?

(3) Is it necessary to consult the District Board or to obtain their consent in order to increase the capital expenditure or to determine the said expenditure before actually incurring such expenditure?

(4) What is the District Board's share of the capital expenditure during the years 1922-23 and 1923-24? Were the District Board informed of the incurring of such